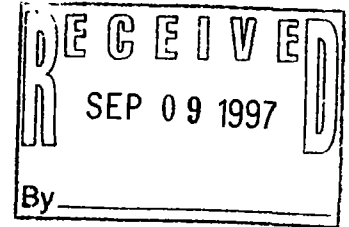




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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

September 2, 1997

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Dave Hensel, Assistant Commissioner
Office of Enforcement
Indiana Department of Environmental Management
100 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46205



Subject Consent Decree in Gary Development vs U S EPA
Civil Action No 2 96CV489-RL

Dear Mr Hensel

Enclosed are copies of materials filed with the District Court in Hammond regarding the subject case. Please be advised that it is my understanding that the Court entered the consent decree in the matter on July 30, 1997, and all fines and payments associated with the case have been paid.

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management is the beneficiary of an irrevocable trust created as part of the settlement of the case, which is administered by the National City Bank of Indiana, 101 W Washington Street, Suite 600 East, Indianapolis, IN 46255. The purpose of the trust is to perform landfill closure and post-closure care activities for the site, among other things. The trust terminates when all monies in the trust have been expended for the stated purpose.

If you have any questions on the above, please contact me at 312-886-6760

Very truly yours,

Michael J Mikulka
Senior Environmental Engineer
Waste, Pesticides and Toxics Division

cc Kay Nelson, Director, Northwest Office